



Fact Sheet: H.R. 5294 - Treating Barriers to Prosperity Act of 2018

Summary

- H.R. 5294 clarifies that funding for the Appalachian Regional Commission (ARC) may be used to address the opioid crisis in Appalachia and to mitigate impacts on the Region's workforce and job growth.
- Specifically, to address the opioid crisis, the legislation clarifies ARC funds may be used to facilitate the sharing of best practices among the states; support programs designed to eliminate or reduce the harm to the workforce and economic growth; attract and retain health care services, businesses, and workers; and develop relevant infrastructure, including broadband, to support telemedicine.
- H.R. 5294 was introduced on March 15, 2018, by Congressman Barletta (R-PA)

Amendments

- No amendments are expected.

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